

## Howell-Black Pair Wed In Baptist Ceremony

Velena Gaye Black of Bunnlevel became the bride of Edward Nelson Howell of Conover at 7 p.m. April 4 at Friendship Baptist Church in Bunnlevel before the Rev. F. Jimmy Mize.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Daniel Black Jr. of Bunnlevel and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Calvin Howell of 725 Barber Road, Southern Pines.

Musicians for the wedding were Lorraine Mize, pianist; Tom Allen, organist; Juanita Blackman, flutist and Velena Gaye Black, the bride, who sang "One Hand, One Heart" from West Side Story from the balcony before walking down the aisle, to be given in marriage by her father.

The bride wore a candlelight gown of her own design, featuring a Victorian neckline with re-embroidered Alencon lace and pearls. The fitted sleeves were accented with sheer inserts and covered buttons to the elbows. The back of the gown was of sheer Alencon lace with covered buttons extending past the waist. Re-embroidered Alencon lace formed a deep V in front and back below the waist. The gown featured a cathedral train with scalloped matching lace forming the border. The cathedral veil was of sheer illusion and the headpiece was adorned with pearls. She wore a pearl necklace and earrings. She carried a bouquet of miniature candlelight silk roses and ivy with candlelight ribbons.

Deborah Black, sister of the bride, of Bunnlevel was maid of honor. Her dress was also designed by the bride. The gown



Mrs. Edward Nelson Howell

was ivory with Williamsburg blue roses, featuring a draped front and back neckline and fitted bodice. It fell into soft gathers and had a matching cord belt. She carried a candleholder made by the bridegroom's cousin, featuring silk Williamsburg blue and mauve roses and forget-me-nots with a globe and cranberry tapers with velvet ribbons.

Bridesmaids were Teresa Black, sister of the bride, of Coats; Annette Phillips, sister of the groom of Burlington; Sheila Core of Durham; Becky Sturgill, Lillington; Juanita Blackman, Buies Creek and Iva Core, aunt of the bride of Durham, honorary bridesmaid. They were dressed the same as the honor maid, and carried the same kinds of flowers.

Melissa Black was flower girl and Daniel Howell, ringbearer. William Calvin Howell was best man for his son. Ushers were Greg Black, brother of the bride, of Bunnlevel; Ken Howell, brother of the groom, of Southern Pines; Bobby Balboni of Southern Pines; Mike Schlaghauser, Lillington, and Johnny Greene, Fort Mill, S.C.

A reception followed in the fellowship hall of the church before the couple left for a honeymoon to Orlando, Fla.

At the reception, a three-tiered wedding cake featured a three-tiered water fountain inside. Also served were cheese straws, handmade mints, nuts, a vegetable tray with dip Swedish meatballs and punch. Mrs. Jean

the bride, Deborah Black, sister of the bride, and Kaye McConnell, aunt of the groom. Approximately 20 guests were treated to cake squares sausage balls, nuts, mints and punch.

A miscellaneous shower was given the bride by Mrs. Audrey Wicker and Miss Teresa Black, sister of the bride. It was held at Mrs. Wicker's home in Lillington about 10 guests were present. The winner was presented a homemade cheesecake.

The guests were served blueberry cheesecake, strawberry cheesecake, tea and coffee.

Special guests were Mrs. Black and Mrs. Howell, mothers of the bride and groom.

A miscellaneous shower for the bride was hosted by Mrs. Bobbie and Miss Lorraine Mize, Mrs. Valeri Smithdeal, Mrs. Lorraine Hobb, and Mrs. Cheryl Morris, ladies of the bride's church, in Bunnlevel. Approximately 25 guests were treated to cake squares, cheesestraws, sausage balls, nuts, mints and punch. After playing several games, the bride was presented a lamp and shade by the hostesses. A special guest was Mrs. Black, mother of the bride.

A miscellaneous shower was held for the bride and groom at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Jernigan, grandparents of the bride. Hostesses were, Mrs. Joyce Williams, Mrs. Jean Jernigan, Mrs. Billie Jernigan, and Mrs. Iva Core, aunts of the bride. Approximately 40 relatives enjoyed cake squares, nuts, mints and punch.

Gaye and Eddie were presented a five piece place setting in their fine china by the hostesses.

A bridesmaids luncheon was hosted by the Misses Teresa and Deborah Black at the home of Miss Teresa Black in Coats. The guests were served baked ham with pineapple rings, string beans, salad, iced tea and dessert.

The bride was presented a peignoir set by the hostesses. Special guests were Mrs. Black and Mrs. Howell, mothers of the bride and groom.

## Keno Jets

The Keno Jets gathered for their May meeting at the home of Mrs. Thomasina Murphy Saturday evening.

President Mrs. Peggy Chavis presided over the meeting. The highlight for the evening was plans for the "Lil Abner Again."

After 12 games the hostess served refreshments, and club prizes were given to Mrs. Rosetta Nelson.

The club members were happy to have former member Mrs. June Monroe return to the Keno Jets.

There will be a call meeting May 23 at the home of Mrs. Peggy Chavis. The next regular meeting will be June 6, with Mrs. June Monroe as hostess. Watch for more news about "Lil Abner Again."

## LEGION AUXILIARY

Mrs. Francis Dwight, 2222 N. May St., Southern Pines, will be hostess for the May meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 134, on Thursday, May 14 at 2:30 p.m. All members and their guests are invited.

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## Pair Wed Saturday

Miss Denise Eloyce Henderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Henderson of Carthage, became the bride of Mr. Michael Theodore Sturdivant, son of Danny Sturdivant of Southern Pines, on May 2, at 9 o'clock in the morning. Probate Judge Newton officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

The bride wore a knee-length baby-blue dress with a white corsage. The groom wore a light blue suit with a white carnation.

The bride chose as her maid of honor Miss Gwen Wilkerson of Southern Pines. She wore a knee-length dress of white and wore a white corsage.

The groom had as his best man, Robert Robinson of Southern Pines. He wore a beige suit with a white boutonniere.

Following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Sturdivant entertained at a reception at the Cardinal Club in Pinebluff at which over 50 guests were present. The room was decorated with the traditional wedding motif.

Music for the reception was by Jeffery Capel.

The couple will live in Southern Pines.

The bride was honored at a shower May 2, in the Cafeteria at Moore Memorial Hospital. The shower was given by the Dietary Department of the hospital. Assisting at the shower was Mrs. Katie Badgett, and the refreshment table was decorated for the occasion. Punch and cookies were served. She received many gifts.

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